

Comprehensive Cancer Control

Facts about cancer in Washington State:

- Cancer is the second leading cause of death
- About 1 out of every 4 deaths is due to cancer
- Cancer is the leading cause of death for adults aged 45-74
- Deaths due to cancer can be reduced through effective prevention, early detection, and medical care

Comprehensive Cancer Control...

"An integrated and coordinated approach to reducing cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality through prevention, early detection, treatment, rehabilitation, and palliation."

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The building blocks for comprehensive cancer control planning:

- Enhance infrastructure
- Mobilize support
- Utilize data and research
- Build partnerships
- Assess/address cancer burden
- Conduct evaluation

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Comprehensive Cancer Control Planning

The Washington State Department of Health is coordinating a collaborative effort to develop and implement a state comprehensive cancer control plan. The Department of Health is working in partnership with a diverse group of individuals, health professionals, associations, and public and private organizations around the state to develop the plan. The plan will include goals, objectives, and strategies to reduce cancer incidence, morbidity and mortality and increase quality of life.

The Partnership

The Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership is a statewide, multidisciplinary group working to develop and implement the state plan. The Partnership is open to health professionals and lay persons interested in cancer prevention and control. The organizational structure of the Partnership includes work groups and a coordination team.

The work groups are developing goals, objectives, and strategies in the following areas:

- Primary Prevention
- Early Detection
- Medical Care

The coordination team provides management and oversight of the planning process and facilitates communication within the Partnership. The membership of the coordination team includes the chairs from each work group and Department of Health representatives.

Funding

The Department of Health is funded through 2008 by cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to develop and implement the state plan. The cooperative agreement provides funding for the program manager, partnership meetings and other costs associated with the implementation and evaluation of the state plan.